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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Enclosed are the following in connection with the above-referenced patent application:

- 1. Introductory Comments (1 page)
- 2. Amendments to the Claims (10 pages);
- 3. Remarks (2 pages);
- 4. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (1 page); and
- 5. Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$110.00 for the One-Month Extension of Time Fee (1page).
- 6. Return Postcard

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 3, 2003. A One-month extension of time has been requested through a paper accompanying this Amendment and Response and fee paid. No other fee is believed to be necessary for the entry of this paper. Should any additional fee be required for entry of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the Faegre & Benson Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and in such event, is requested to notify us of the same.

Please amend the application as follows:

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